

GOSSIP OF THE RING.

In a letter to his representative from Chicago, Bob Fitzsimmons takes exception to some expressions that have been attributed to him since the request of Manager Brady that the National Sporting Club of London offer a purse for a go with Jackson. "Lanky Bob" denies, for instance, having said that he would slap Corbett's face when they met. Should they meet a lively battle of words is predicted. In his letter written to "Manny" Friend, his lawyer, Bob says he doesn't want the championship by default, and is ready to train at once for a battle. He is willing to fight for the bet of \$10,000 if no club can be secured to guarantee a purse.

"Considerable newspaper talk has been indulged in," said Mr. Friend to an *Evening World* reporter, and, as much as I dislike to appear in the matter, being counsel for Mr. Fitzsimmons, I must protect my client's interests.

"Fitzsimmons informs me that he is ready to contest for the championship in accordance with the agreement both have signed. If the Florida Athletic Club cannot stand by their part of the agreement he is ready to battle for the title and side bets at any place where a fight can be held."

The club is bound to name a place and date on July 1.

Johnny Murphy of Boston, is still sanguine of his ability to beat Billy Plimmer, despite the unfortunate termination of their fight at New Orleans. Murphy called at the *Police Gazette* office and authorized a challenge to the winner of the Plimmer and Corfield affair, which takes place in London on May 27.

Hall is training at Coney Island for his coming fight with Joe Choynski, and says he is in good shape for the struggle. He is kicking against Parson Davies' efforts to get up a match between Choynski and Steve O'Donnell before they meet. Hall says the attempt to make a match indicates that Davies and Choynski hold him too cheaply.

25 BIGYCLISTS ARRESTED

Thomas DeWitt, a coal dealer, whose office is at 111 Broadway, and who lives at 133 West Seventy-eighth street, and is a member of two Good Government clubs, has started a crusade against bicycle riders who violate the law. Last night he posted himself on the Boulevard and kept Patrolmen Smith and McGrane of the West Sixty-eighth street station busy arresting bicyclists who had no light on their wheel. Up to midnight twenty-five of them were arrested and the interior of West Twenty-eighth street station looked like a bicycle saleroom.—New York Sun.

SHOOTING TOURNAMENT.

On Thursday, May 30, Decoration day, there will be an all day shooting tournament held at Lincoln park beginning at 8:30 a.m. The shooting will be at live birds and blue rock-targets. It will be under the management of Messrs. Powell and Sharp. They have secured the new grounds at the park which they are now fitting up and everything will be in readiness by the date of the tourney. There are ten expert blue rock traps, five of which are equipped with electric pulls, also five of the latest bird traps. They now have two or three hundred pigeons in coop and all the targets that could be shot in a week. Besides the money prizes there will be a number of merchandise prizes.

FIELD DAY SPORTS

The annual university field day sports were held Saturday afternoon at the fair grounds, under Mr. Cameron's management. Events were as follows:

One hundred yard dash, Spooner, Jones and McComb. McComb lost eight feet on start; Spooner was fouled and fell at the twenty-five yard line, Jones won over McComb by three yards in 11 3/4 seconds. On account of Spooner's fall it was run over again, Jones winning in 11 1-5 seconds with one foot to spare to McComb.

For the 880-yard run Shue and Sawyer entered. They got off together and ran abreast to the 150-yard line, Shue winning by a quick spurt. Time, 2 minutes 24 3-5 seconds.

The shot put was won by Fair, 33 feet 2 inches, Whipple 32 feet.

The 220 yard run was contested by Jones, Sargent, Cushman and McComb. Jones won by five feet from Sargent. Time, 0:26.

The one mile wheel race by McDowell. Carter and Rebman was won by Carter by 10 yards in 2:40 4-5.

In the hammer throw "Tall" Turner, made 78 feet.

In the 445 yard run Shue set a killing pace and won from Sargent in 55 1-5 seconds, breaking last year's record.

Whipple kicked the foot ball 142 feet, Fair 140 feet.

In the standing broad jump Robbins cleared 9 feet, 5 1-4 inches, McComb second with 9 feet 1 1-4 inches.

The one-fourth mile wheel race by McDowell and Carter resulted in a tie in 34 1-5 seconds. Carter won easily on the run off.

In the running broad jump McComb was first, with seventeen feet, five and one-fourth inches; Mason seventeen feet three inches.

The pole vault by Spooner was 8 1-4 feet, Mapes second.

In the hurdle race Spooner was first in 0:20 1-5; Mapes, 0:20 3-5.

The high jump by Spooner was five feet one inch; McComb second, five feet.

The one mile running race. Shue an easy first in 5 12 1-4. Sawyer second.

The two mile wheel race was won by Carter in slow time.

OFFICERS OF THE L. A. W.

The rapid growth of the L. A. W and the business that falls upon its officials is impressing wheelmen with the idea that in order to secure good, capable men in the near future they must make their offices salaried. Ex-Chief Consul George R. Bidwell of New York in discussing the situation, says: "The league is no longer a plaything, and should be run on business principles. We should no longer expect men like Potter, Willison and Perkins to sacrifice their time and business. The officers of the league should be paid officials, with offices in some city like New York. It would pay wheelmen to adopt a salary system, for experienced men could gain for them more benefits than mere volunteers in the way of favorable laws, good roads, and rail road privileges. The state chief consuls too should not be asked to work for nothing. If they give up part of their time they should be paid for it by a percentage of membership fees. The racing board should earn at least \$10,000 a year instead of being an expense. Some such system as is adopted by the National Trotting association should be adopted. Sanctions should be charged for at a paying rate which should include the handicapping."

BURLINGTON PLAYING CARDS

Those elegant cards of the very best quality, only 15 cents per deck. For sale at B. & M. depot or city ticket office, corner Tenth and O streets.

GORBETT WON'T APOLOGIZE.

"Corbett will never apologize to the National Sporting Club, and if they wait for such action on his part their hairs will turn white with age," said Manager William A. Brady.

"Well, now, would you accept that offer of £3,000 for a battle with Jackson?" was asked.

"I guess so, although that isn't a great deal of money," was the answer. "What about Slavin's challenge?"

"Well, I'll back Steve O'Donnell against Slavin for \$5,000 a side, or as much as he wants to make it, and allow him \$500 for expenses, the fight to take place within a reasonable time after the O'Donnell-Maher fight; but Corbett won't accept Slavin's challenge."

"How about this reported offer from San Antonio?"

"Well, we'll accept anything that Vendig offers, but we won't cross the border line."

BATTLE OF THE BLOOMERS.

The women of Orlando, Fla., are all agog with excitement over the bloomer question.

Some two months ago the women formed a bicycle club and at the recent regular monthly meeting, the question of adopting a costume came up. One young lady, noted for expertness on the wheel, introduced a resolution requiring members to adopt the bloomer costume. This resolution led to a heated debate, which grew so warm at times that hair-pulling seemed to be imminent. The principal opposition came from a half a dozen young ladies who are engaged to be married. They said that their lovers objected to their riding bicycles, and that if they appeared in bloomers they were sure their lovers would abandon them altogether.

Some of the matrons were also bitter against the resolution, declaring that they would quit the club before they would disgrace themselves by appearing in such heathenish garb. However, the advocates of bloomers were in a majority and carried the resolution. The opponents of bloomers immediately withdrew from the club and say that they will boycott socially the women who appear in such costume. They also threaten to go before the town council and secure the passage of an ordinance forbidding women to appear on the street in bloomers. Everybody in the town has taken sides in the controversy and the feeling between the bloomer and anti-bloomer factions is warm.

To bloom or not to bloom, is now the question in the Land of Flowers.

The police of Victoria, B. C. have declared against bloomers, and will not allow them to be worn on the streets, while the city fathers (or rather grannies) of Westport, Mo., have commenced a crusade against them which is likely to succeed.

In contrast with this is the news that the rational garb is becoming very popular in some of the higher educational institutions for the female sex, notably at Ann Arbor, Mich., where many of the 600 students have adopted them for daily wear.

The women cyclists of Grand Rapids, Mich., have also decided to adopt the bloomer costume.

Home Seeker's Excursion, May 21.

Only one fare for the round trip via THE BURLINGTON. Tickets good for twenty days to Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, India and Oklahoma Territories, Texas, South Dakota, Missouri, New Mexico and Utah. For full information apply at E. & M. depot or at city office, corner 10th and O streets.

Geo. W. BONNELL, C. P. & T. A.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

First publication May 4.

In county court within and for Lancaster county, Nebraska, May term 1895 in the matter of the estate of Robert Roggenkamp deceased.

To the creditors of said estate:

You are hereby notified, that I will sit at the county court room in Lincoln in said county, on the 30th day of September 1895, and again on the 31st day of December 1895 to receive and examine all claims against said estate, with a view to their adjustment and allowance. The time limited for the presentation of claims against said estate is six months from the 15th day of June A. D. 1895, and the time limited for the payment of debts is one year from said 15th day of June 1895.

Notice of this proceeding is ordered published four consecutive weeks in THE COURIER, a weekly newspaper published in this state.

Witness my hand and the seal of said county court, this 1st day of May 1895.

I. W. Lansing

County Judge.

[SEAL]
May 25

SHERIFF SALE.

First publication May 4.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of sale issued by the clerk of district court of the third judicial district of Nebraska within and for Lancaster county Nebraska in an action wherein Winnebago National bank is plaintiff, and L. C. Humphrey et al are defendants, I will at 2 o'clock P. M. on the 4th day of June A. D. 1895 at the east door of the court house, in the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction the following described real estate to-wit:

Lots one (1) two (2) and three (3) in block or section "Q" in Grand view residence park in Lancaster county, Nebraska.

Given under my hand this 1st day of May A. D. 1895.

Fred A. Miller,
Sheriff.

June 1.

SHERIFF SALE.

First Publication May 11.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an execution issued by the clerk of the district court of the third judicial district of Nebraska, within and for Lancaster county, in an action wherein Frank L. Sheldon is plaintiff, and Edward R. Sizer and J. H. McClay are defendants.

I will, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the 11th day of June A. D. 1895, at the east door of the court house, in the city of Lincoln Lancaster county, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction the following described real estate to wit:

Lots fifteen (15) and sixteen (16) in block six (6) in Lincoln Driving Park Company's first sub-division in Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska.

Given under my hand this 6th day of May A. D. 1895.

Fred A. Miller
Sheriff

June 8

COUNTY COURT.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LETTERS.

First Publication May 11.

In re Estate of) In the county
Caroline G. Ludden) court of Lan-
Deceased.) caster county,
Nebraska.

The state of Nebraska to Luther P. Ludden, Mrs. C. E. Dietz, Mrs. Geo. C. Shults; Mrs. Jessie Crouse, Mrs. Sidney Crouse, and to any other persons interested in said matter:

Take notice, that a petition signed by Luther P. Ludden praying said court to grant Letters of Administration of said estate to Luther P. Ludden has been filed in said court; that the same is set for hearing on the 11th day of June 1895, at ten o'clock a. m. and that if you do not then appear and contest, said court may grant administration of the said estate to Luther P. Ludden.

Notice of this proceeding shall be published three weeks successively in THE COURIER prior to said hearing.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 8th day of May, A. D. 1895.

[SEAL]
May 25

I. W. LANSING,
County Judge.